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MIKADO MINING CO'Y

Annual Meeting Held in London, Eng.—A Satisfactory
Report of the Year's Operations.—W. A.
Weir Addresses the Shareholders.

We take the following report of the annual meeting of the Mikado Mining Co., from the London (Eng.) Financial Times:

The ordinary general meeting of the Mikado Gold Mining Company, Ltd., was held May 21st, at Winchester House, Old Broad-street, E.C.4, under the presidency of Colonel W. F. Engle-due, the chairman of the company. The amount written off and so have shown a large profit, but as the value of the ore has fallen off, we thought it better to let the figures stand as shown in the balance sheet. It has also been suggested that a dividend might have

The secretary, Mr. C. F. Mac Nicol, having read the notice conveying the meeting, the chairman said:

Consequently, the directors' report and statement of accounts have no doubt been carefully studied by you; I presume, therefore, they may be taken as read. (Appl. hear.) The accounts do not call for any particular remarks; they are a straightforward statement showing accurately our financial position. We have had queries from only one shareholder, who thinks that too

ment. The camp also is well arranged with regard to the general comfort of the men. The capital of our company was increased last year with the object of providing more plant and buildings necessary for the fuller development of the mine, and you will see from the manager's report for the year 1900 what a large amount of work has been carried out. It is, of course, a great disappointment that at the No. 1 lode the ore value has so greatly fallen off below the fourth, or 270 ft. level; the vein, however, continues of great strength and size, and in a good geological formation, being on the contact between the granite and trap, and although the value is still low there is every probability that richer ore will soon be encountered. A cable received a few days ago from our local director reports that the north end of No. 7 level, which is at a depth of 100 ft., shows a marked improvement. The sinking of the main shaft and the drives are being rapidly and economically pushed on, and it is hoped that shortly we shall again be working payable ore.

Good Promise at No. 2 Lode.
It is satisfactory to be able to tell you that No. 2 Lode, which is 170 ft. to the east of No. 1, promises to yield a supply of good ore. You will remember that some three years ago a pocket of very rich rock was found which caused a great sensation throughout the district. The present workings, 60 ft. below, indicate that this rich streak is continuing in depth, a deposit having been met with in the

300 ft. level, immediately below from which about £300 worth of gold has been won from about 10 cwt. of ore. The lode is being drifted on both to the north and south, and very soon stopping ground will be opened up

which, from present indications, will average 8 ducts per ton. It now becomes the question as to the best course to pursue in the future. Unless the value of the ore very soon increases, it seems to us that the wisest course is to stop the milling and raising of ore, and this is the opinion of our local director, Mr. Deacon. We can then continue prospecting and developing at both lodes until payable rock is found and reserves are in sight of sufficient value to warrant the restarting of the mill. Simultaneously diamond drilling might be started by contract to prove several other veins, more particularly one about 1,200 ft. south of No. 1 shaft which intersects No. 1 lode, and where there is every

probability of good ore being found. The mine is so well equipped with machinery that labor will be the principal item of cost, and as the work will be straightforward and without serious difficulties there is little doubt that our manager will be able to do most of it by contract and at good speed. Judging from the reports of our No. 2 lode, it is quite probable that the ore shortly to be raised will pay, not only the cost of raising and milling, but also the contemplated developments, so that it may not be necessary to call up much of the remaining capital. In all mining ventures, the unexpected generally happens. We have been at low water before and have righted ourselves. Our situation in the Lake of the Woods district is not peculiar for the Sultana mine, which for years was a paying concern, suddenly fell off in value and found itself obliged to stop milling and to open up further ground. I understand that the developments are turning out well, and that the mill will soon restart. We hope soon to follow suit. Our indications are good, so we must not be disheartened, but look forward to success in the near future. Our manager, Mr. Macmillan, is present today, and has prepared a full statement about the mine which he has asked me to read to you; but before doing that I will formally move the resolution: "That the directors' report and statement of accounts be received and adopted."

Mr. James Reid seconded the motion.

The Manager's Report.
The chairman,--I will now read Mr. Macmillan's account of the mine, and then he will be happy to answer any questions, and I also shall be happy to reply on any points that may be raised. Mr. Macmillan writes thus:

"London 21st May, 1901.
To the Shareholders of the Mikado
Gold Mine —

"I am very pleased to have the opportunity of meeting you here today, or, although I have died very fully, a my report with the work done on our property during the past year, it is perhaps more satisfactory, to meet you in person, so as to be able to give short account of the work done during the past two years or since the change of management took place. When I took charge of your mine along with my late colleague, Mr. Poncally, the No. 1 mine consisted of a vertical shaft 230 ft. deep, with three

ment found this to be a continuation of the ore body first discovered on surface. This was an ore shoot 150 to 200 feet long, dipping at an angle of about 20 degrees. The 210 ft. level was then driven south until the ore body had been passed. In this level the vein was strong and well defined, assaying 20 dwts per ton. After we had developed the 210 ft. level in a southerly direction some distance beyond the ore body, it was decided to sink an inclined winze at the point some 400 ft. south of the vertical shaft, or just underneath this line ore body. The inclined depth of this winze was about 90 ft. Drifting was then carried on to the south at what we call the 300 ft. level with very encouraging results. At this time the development, as may be seen from the plans, was all trending south, and each successive level was further away from the vertical shaft, and we were compelled to stop sinking on the incline owing to the incapacity of our plant. From time to time previous to this we had pointed out to our company the loss of time and money we should sustain by working the air winze underground then trending to the ore to the vertical shaft and from there hoisting to the surface. Having assured ourselves after a very careful study of the formation, from the results of previous work, and having many long and serious consultations with our mine capitalists and from the best other sources obtainable, we all concluded that the

stable, we're convinced that the real values were permanent and the outlook so good and promising that the time had arrived when it was necessary to obtain further capital to enable us to install a proper and an economical plant to keep our development ahead of the mining. We had proved the mine to be a good one, a dividend payer, and we, the managers, suggested further capital, having absolute faith that no hitch could arise to prevent our making handsome profits for years to come. During all this time our instructions from the board, from the then chairman, and from the chief director were to the effect that we were to do our best to work up to our full capacity in order to show that the mine was a good one, and fit to be worked at a profit, but that care was to be taken to keep the ore developments well ahead of the mine. These instructions were strictly adhered to.

As you have doubtless seen from my report, the new plant has been installed, and development has been car-

of diamond drilling should be done from the surface of No. 1 vein, where two or three well defined reefs outcrop. No. 2 vein—work should proceed here as at present—namely, one machine drill sinking and one machine drill drifting to connect the southern portion of the mine with the shaft, thus giving good ventilation, and reducing the cost of development, while at the same time we are opening up a good stope. This vein is also a typical contact and has many interesting features. At a depth of 200 ft. and down to 270 ft., the lowest point we have sunk to, it has an average width of 3 ft. with very consistent values, assaying 8 dwts to the ton. Marvellously rich streaks of ore have been met with in the south drifts, second and third levels, and it would appear that as soon as the third level is driven a sufficient distance south, a stope shall be opened up superior in values to anything met with in the country. I feel confident that you will not regret the necessary expenditure for opening up your mine, and I believe that by so doing you will be the possessors of a thoroughly sound property. (Applause.)

Testimony To The Mine Management.

The chairman: I am pleased to see amongst us Mr. Weir, the manager of the Imperial Bank of Canada at Bat Pathage, and who has very kindly assisted us as our local auditor. He will be able to speak as to the reputation our mine enjoys in Canada, and will, I am sure, reply to any questions asked. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Weir: I am not quite prepared with a speech, as I am here on a holiday, but I happened to have the good fortune to strike this part of the country when this meeting was coming on, and your chairman and some of the directors asked me to be present. I can really say nothing with regard to the mine itself; it is not my province, and I can only speak in a general way.

The chairman specially mentioned the reputation of the mine, and I may say that the mere fact that I am the landlord of the mine speaks very highly for the reputation of the property. I do not mean that egotistically, but I wish you to understand that I would not perform those duties, nor would my directors allow me to do so, were the reputation of the mine not such as to enable me to do so conscientiously. (Hear, hear.) As regards the particular part of your business which comes under my notice, I can say that every thing is managed in a very proper and

which the Mikado occupies. If anything happens to the Mikado, that district will go down, but I think the Mikado will prove one of a large number of such mines in the belt. There is another gold bearing belt about 50 miles from the Mikado, where the Regina-property is situated, and another, the Sultana, is some 25 to 30 miles away; but that particular belt where the Mikado is situated is the key to the situation, and if anything should happen to it, it would throw the country back a good deal, and I think everything should be done to get out the wealth of that country.

The Government and Deep Mining.
I think something could be done by a strong corporation such as this by putting pressure on the Ontario government, which is so largely interested in gold production. I fully think they might be induced to find out whether gold continues in depth in the country, and that it is their duty to assist in ascertaining a matter of so much importance. There has been no mining done below 500 or 600 ft., so it is impossible to say what is in depth, and I do not think it is fair that companies should be left to do what is called the pioneer work unaided. (Hear, hear.) If some pressure were brought to bear on the government I think they might be induced to assist, and if they were it would be a good thing for the Mikado mine, and certainly a good thing for the whole of the mining district. Applause.

The chairman said he thought they were very much indebted to Mr. Weir for his statement and the valuable hints he had given them as to approaching the Ontario government. No doubt the government had the machinery available for the purpose named, and probably if properly approached they would help in the matter of going down to, say, 1,000 or 1,500 feet. Anyhow, the board would take advantage of the suggestion.

Mr. Stanley Rinning said he took it from the manager's general remarks that he anticipated that results in the development would be arrived at on a moderate expenditure.

The chairman said he thought that was so. Of course, if they wanted to go ahead quickly they must spend money quicker than if they proceeded slowly. The board had estimates as to drivages and shaft-sinking and the shareholders might be quite sure they would keep the expenditure within the limits of their capacity. Replying to Mr. Peck, the chairman said there was practically no unpaid call. The unmet liabilities would realize £16,550.

The motion was then put and unanimously agreed to.

The chairman moved the reelection of the retiring Director, Mr. H. L. Mather, which was seconded by Mr. A. J. W. and carried.

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WILL THE GOVERNMENT ASSIST?

The Dominion government recently granted a bounty on refined lead, the amount not to exceed \$100,000 yearly. This was done to help the mining industry of British Columbia particularly. They have also been granting bounties on iron ore smelted in Canada and will continue this till 1907. This benefits the iron industry of eastern Canada. So far, however the mining industry of Central Canada has received no encouragement at the hands of either the Dominion or provincial governments. Ideal people have from time to time spent considerable money on organizations to advertise the resources of this favored section of Canada, and have also tried to induce the different governments to lend assistance in this regard, but without avail.

The suggestion made by Mr. Weir at the annual meeting of the Mikado Mining Co., in London, that the government of Ontario be asked to lend some assistance to determine whether gold continues to a great depth in this country, is a good one. There has been no mining below 500 or 550 feet, and it is hardly fair that companies should be left to do pioneer work unaided. It only need be determined in one or two sections to give confidence to all companies operating here. In other countries it has often been the case that in high grade mines a very low grade zone is found 400 or 400 feet below the surface, and sometimes this zone has become so refractory that it is scarcely worth hoisting. But below this zone the high grade ore is resumed and followed until at some what irregular intervals the zone re-appears.

These facts have been determined in other mining countries, but as yet no shafts have been sunk deep enough to prove to be the case here. None of our companies have

remorseless shuffle of passing years. The next most voluminous accumulation of gold, found by Pizarro with the Inca of Peru, was also from the surface, for the ancient Peruvians were not greater adepts at deep mining than their transatlantic cousins of the ancient world. Before the days of gunpowder for blasting purposes the art of working rock was a tedious process that practically destroyed the profits of mining, even when slave labor was employed. The ancient miner seems never to have discovered the use of time in blasting, as it was often applied in an early day in the west when powder could not be secured. Alternate layers of dry and damp lime in a drill hole was a comparatively slow but effective process of breaking rock. As the water percolated from the damp lime into the unslaked lime a force was generated that could find expression only by breaking the rock. The advance made in mining during the last few years has been marvellous. Not only have machines been devised to simplify the work and expedite mining operations and increase the output, but chemistry has grasped the problems of the underground world with brilliant success. The treatment of ores has kept pace with their extraction from the earth. Science has clasped hands with invention and uttered a prophecy of magnificent success for the future of the industry. Western Mining World.

EDWARD BLAKE

May be Appointed to the Position of Lord of Appeals in Privy Council.

Ottawa, June 4.—Mr. W. S. Fielding, finance minister; A. G. Blair, minister of railways and Sir Louis Davies, minister of fisheries, left for England today. They will join Senator David Mills in Boston tomorrow and will sail from that port by the Commonwealth. Before leaving Sir Louis Davies asked your correspondent to contradict the statement which appeared in a number of newspapers to the effect that he was an applicant for the position of lord of appeal, to sit on the bench of the judicial committee of the privy council, and afterwards to enter the House of Lords as proposed by Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain in the reorganization of the judicial committee.

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On the march, in camp or even during a fight, one cannot help noticing how full South Africa is of animal, bird and insect life, and, with the breeding season here now, nature is at her best, writes a correspondent of The London Standard.

Birds of South Africa.

The birds, especially, are very pretty with their gay feathers—the red cardinals, bluebirds and blue starlings, golden orioles and little finches like Java sparrows, withered beaks. All these frequent the low extending lanes and hedgerows, by the way, are only to be found in the towns or villages. The secretary birds are quite tame, as they have never been shot at, hawks and kites are plentiful and the vultures crowd around all our camping grounds, attracted by the dead and dying horses. The game birds are not many—partridges, with a few pigeon and snipe, quail and kouran, and perhaps one or two fall the plover out here game. There are two kinds, the caprings and the dringages. Along the rivers are four or five varieties of kingfishers—the big black and white spotted one and the larger and lesser purple kind and the one we have in England. Then come weaver birds, with their hanging nests, and numbers of other pretty birds.

Devisers of the Waters.

In the rivers which we have tried we got a yellow fish about one pound weight, something between a chub and a roach, and an ugly-looking beetle like a devilfish, with long spikes or fenders from his head. Land crabs we have caught and eaten, and iguanas, whose skins make capital tobacco pouches. Of snakes we do not see many. We frightened a very pretty green "cond" about two feet long, out of a bush by a pool in which we were going to bat, and which we swam like an eel across the water, and we have come across two big reptiles, about six to eight feet long, which we were told are harmless. Puff adders are supposed to be plentiful. Scorpions are both plentiful and obnoxious, and after rain they may be looked for with some success in beds and mattresses.

Plague of Flies.

Centipedes are seen everywhere, at least a large, hairy spider, light brown and red, which has a nasty, poisonous way of biting, as have mosquitoes and flies. The latter now that the hot weather is here are almost a plague and wake one up as soon as it gets light. The flies are most interesting, and all over the flat parts of the country these huge hills, some of them six and eight feet high, are gnawed as the flies eat them out. Some build their hills around trees and others make them like a pretty chimney, down which you can look. The white ants will eat your things or a blanket in a night.

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EDITORIAL NOTES:

As an indication of the friendly feeling between Canada and the United States, the Montreal Daily Witness says:—The courtesy of the Canadian government in granting permission for two United States gun boats to pass through the canals into the lakes should convince our neighbors of our friendliness and that we have no fear of their harboring the intention of turning their guns on our cities. It should also remind them that we have always allowed their gun boats to pass up and down whenever a request to that effect was made. Not only has permission been granted, but we have given them every facility on the passage. On the other hand, do British gun boats have ever sought entrance to the lakes since the treaty excluding war vessels of both nations therefrom was signed.

Inventive genius is doing for the mining industry what it has done for other phases of our industrial life. It is lifting the vocation to a higher level and framing for it magnificent successes for the future. In ancient times surface mining was alone possible for there were not adequate appliances for deep mining. The gold that was hammered into a veneering for the temple of King Solomon was probably a placer product, though it must be confessed that the mines of Ophir have never been definitely located by curious man since they were lost in the

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Winnipeg Lawyer Hurt.

While passing down the steps between the old and new court houses this morning, Mr. J. H. Leech had the misfortune to slip and fell heavily to the ground. His cries soon attracted notice and those who were lying to reach the spot found Mr. Leech first at the foot of the stairs suffering great pain. Dr. Sugden was called out and had the injured man taken to his home by the ambulance. While it is quite possible that Mr. Leech may have injured his spine, the doctor hopes that it may turn out to be a severe wrench.—Tribune.

of the big game, or rather the want of it, much has been written, and compared with what the sport used to be, of course there is not much to be said. But in some parts it is quite possible to get out to ten head in a day with luck, and three or four different kinds of birds, and if you like shooting them you can bag jackals, foxes and badgers.

The Lake of the Woods has only come across the lake and close to an outpost we had there were several, which always left a sorry story for our country, and he would talk and snarl with all his might if he was approached. The monkeys always throw out flanking guards and advance scouts, as well as rear guards, when they move together.

The Stone of Scorn

When the coronation of King Edward VII. takes place at Westminster Abbey one will be reminded of a curious link connecting him with first of England's Edwards.

In 1296, when Scotland fell into the hands of her southern neighbor, Edward carried off to London the large stone called the "Stone of Scorn," upon which the Scottish Kings had been crowned from time beyond memory.

Tradition held that this was the very stone upon which David had slept at Bethel.

This block was taken to Westminster Abbey, where it was placed as a support to the seat of a statue of Edward, and where it has ever since played an important part in the coronation ceremony of the English sovereigns, and take place in this splendid and historic Abbey, which stands close to the Houses of Parliament, and almost as near and within sound of the Thames as it washes the embankment.

Silver Covered Bronze.

According to the Royal correspondent of The London Morning Post, the one Greek statue in bronze recently discovered near Pompeii, which was placed in the Naples Museum, whose examination has shown it to be covered with a layer of fine silver. This peculiar feature gives the statue unique value, as there is believed to be no other bronze statue in the world so covered, though several of the more valuable Greek masterpieces, like the bust of Demetrius and the Dancers of Heraculum, in the Naples Museum, have their lips or their eyebrows gilded with silver. The fact is considered as proof that the Pompeians themselves valued the statue highly.

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N. C. WALLACE'S SPEECH

On the City and Port of Quebec at the Late Banquet at the Chateau Frontenac.

The following is a synopsis of the speech delivered by the Hon. N. C. Wallace, at the Quebec banquet, at the Chateau Frontenac, on May 11th, 1911:

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen, I am sure we are all delighted, members of the senate and house of commons, to have the honor of being with the citizens of Quebec as guests of the house of trade and the harbor commissioners tonight. Before I left Ottawa I met Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and he desired me to say to you here tonight that he regretted very much that he could not be present with you. On account of the repeated attacks of the opposition, their vilest abuse in their fortifications and they had arranged an armistice between the combatants for two days to repair it and they hoped by that time to have their fortifications repaired. I can tell you, my friends, Mr. President and gentlemen, that they are not invincible. The citadel, the political citadel in Ottawa is not as invincible as your military citadel in the city of Quebec, and therefore they felt the necessity of attending to repairs in order to present a good front, and preserve their position in this country. Now, Mr. Chairman, I wish to say to you tonight that I am almost a citizen of Quebec myself, for I had the pleasure of spending three or four weeks in the most delightful and hospitable city on the face of the earth, the good old city of Quebec. Why, sir, there is no place where the citizens of every grade and of every description have that spirit of hospitality to equal the citizens of this glorious old city of Quebec. It is a delight to come here, not only to see the faces of your citizens, but to view these most historic scenes that make the city of Quebec the pride of Canada, to come to the Plains of Abraham, made historic by the great conflict of two nations so eloquently depicted by our greatest friend from Nova Scotia, Mr. D. C. Fraser. I was present at the unveiling of the monument to Champlain, and I think it is the most beautiful monument that exists in Canada; it has a history that every Canadian, I do not care what his religion may be, ought to be proud of. In coming to Quebec we come to the most charming of cities. Now, Sir, we come to this transportation problem that we heard so much of tonight, whatever it may mean. I am sure by this Mr. Chairman, that we have the great cities, Montreal, and Toronto and Winnipeg, of which every Canadian is proud, but Mr. Chairman, in addition to these cities, we have a magnificent port, rich, fertile, in time with his intellectual activity. We have too around these tables, I see, other representatives of the House of Commons, of whom we may well feel very proud.

Now, Sir, with regard to the great country that we are called upon to govern. We have the greatest heritage here in Canada, that any six million people ever possessed. People say we should have more citizens here, I am troubling myself a bit about that. We have 680 acres of land for every man, woman and child in the Dominion. Now if we had six million more people we could only have half as much land for each of our citizens. I am not in too big a hurry to give away our land except on one condition, that he who gets it shall be a good loyal citizen of Canada, that he shall be with us in citizenship, shall aid us in the development of the country and shall stand with us as a loyal citizen, prepared to shoulder his lot in defense of the country, and to do those things which a loyal citizen must do in order to maintain the integrity of the Dominion. Now, Sir, they say we have a difficult country to govern. We have diverse races and diverse religions in this country, but we have this advantage, we have various provinces here in various provinces, various provinces have since been added to it, and we have a contented people. There is no province in this Dominion today that is dissatisfied with the condition of affairs. This gentleman here says there were. Well, Sir, it is a tribute to the loyalty, to the intelligence, and the patriotism of this Dominion, that we are able to quiet any feeling of dissatisfaction, relieve all grievances if they existed, and to make all provinces of this Dominion what it is today, satisfied and contented and proud of being a portion of the Dominion of Canada and still prouder of being a part of the greatest empire the world has ever seen. So I say, Mr. Chairman, we have accomplished a great deal. We have done more than any six millions of people ever did before. We have built more railways, built more canals, built up greater cities, and have expanded and built up manufacturing industries as well as other industrial enterprises, and gold mines, iron mines, such as no other nation has, and I say, Sir, we ought to be proud of our country and proud of the achievements we have already accomplished. But we are only starting on our victorious career, we are only laying it out, and we have done our work, I think, pretty well. They say that religious and racial difficulties will crop up. Sir, I say there is no better work can be done by our loyal citizens of the Dominion who are entrusted with the responsibilities of directing affairs than to join patriotically with his fellow citizens. I don't care what their creed may be, what their former nationality may be, because we are going to keep to our work. We cannot help our nationalities. We were born citizens, of the descendants of citizens of different countries and we are all going to stay in

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HOUSES FOR WORKING POOR

Breathing Lessons the Newest Fad—Sawdow, Strong Man, Talks on Physical Culture—Girl Messenger "Boys" Employed by the Metropolitan Company Are Giving Much Satisfaction.

Statistics issued by the County Council show that during the past year London has proportionately grown in area and population. During the year 23 miles of new streets were sanctioned, and the statement is made that the ultimate population coming under the Council's jurisdiction will be 7,000,000. Now it is 4,700,000. In the fire department, which is probably the most behind-hand of the metropolitan works, £1,600,000 was expended. To drain London, a projected expenditure of over £1,000,000. Now the drains are too small, and the gigantic scheme to provide new sewers for old, will involve a cost of close upon £15,000,000.

London's parks and open spaces, which average 3,000, necessitate a staff of 700 persons, cost £572,777. In 1900 the parks were only 2,200, and then there were only 41 parks and open spaces.

Houses for the Poor.

With the growth of the city, the problem of finding homes for the poorer dwellers therein becomes monthly, and even daily, more serious. Though, in the report of the County Council, a scheme is outlined which would meet the difficulty. This scheme is for the erection of large blocks of model dwellings, on the tenement plan, on available open ground five or six miles without the city bounds. Here a workman will be able to house himself and his family at a cost of \$2 a week. To meet the transportation question electric cars will be run and all tenants of the County Council will have free tickets on these cars. In this way it is hoped the most serious difficulty of the municipal authorities for many years will be finally overcome.

New Breathing Fad.

Mr. Christopher, a woman in Kensington, the aristocratic suburb of London, with an eye to novelty as well as business, has inaugurated a new fad, which is fast developing into a fashionable ladies' craze. It is a new form of physical culture. Last year it was flogging, which took the spare time of ladies devoted to society. This year the "breathing cure" seems to be destined to monopolize their attention.

She says we breathe all wrong. Anyone who has gone through a course of lessons will tell you how utterly unbecoming the most simple action of our daily life is. Of course, there are people who must sweat and perspire at every day's thing, but when they see their stout friends, becoming stout, their thin sisters flaring out and becoming plump, delicate people made strong, curved spines and round backs growing straight and thin, and the girl transformed into a graceful and elegant dancer, they are apt to inquire how these changes can possibly be effected.



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A Race of Homunculi.

"Where our ancestors had their games and contests, the modern day cultivates indoor amusements only. Indeed, one has a vision of a future race of homunculi, all head and no body, during their passionless, mechanical lives by some artificial means. The changes I should like to see are: First, loose, easy clothing; second, freedom to engage in outdoor sports in girlhood; third, systematic exercise, carried on throughout life. Let the modern woman strive to get back to the type of the Spartan Venus, that ideal of life, purity and beauty. The Venus of Milo is for us the absolute type of feminine beauty. If reduced to the height of 5 feet 4 inches her waist would measure 21 inches."

Girl "Boy" Messengers.

London is suffering from a scarcity of boys. Boys of all descriptions are wanted, from errand, hotel and page to the messenger boys, and the best worst of all. The District Messenger Company, one of the most useful and thriving concerns in the metropolis, for months past now has been unable to get, as complete a staff of boys as it requires, and has been forced to try the experiment of employing men. Men were not so trustworthy as boys and so lately the company has now been obliged to have girl messengers. A uniform in the shape of a plain blue dress is provided. With a neat hat, sailor fashion, with the girl's number in front, and with the necessary badge round the left sleeve.

It is a regular thing now for these girls to do necessary errands, that is, of course, only when this duty is a fit and proper one for a young girl to perform. At present they are employed only in the better districts, where the messengers are usually of a light and easy nature. Moreover, these girls so far have proved a distinct success, contrary to the expectations of the company. They are more ready and obliging than the boys, and are far quicker on their errands, since they do not linger as the archaic employed by the company frequently do.

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Local Interest

Mrs. Grimshaw, of Stayner, Ont. left by the Keenora Wednesday night for Beaver Mills, to visit her son who is in business there.

Mrs. G. A. Graham returned to her home in Fort William, Wednesday night.

Miss Ross, and master Jack and George Ross, left Monday morning for Carleton Place, where Mr. Ross is largely interested in ranching. Miss Ross will be much missed in Rat Portage social circles, as she was life of many a gathering. In church affairs and also in the Hospital Ladies Aid society, she always took a prominent part, and was even ready to father the interests of any worthy object. Her many friends here wish her every happiness in her new home in the west.

Jno. Dean and family have moved to Mrs. Howard's handsome residence on 2nd st.

S.S. Cummins returned from Winnipeg yesterday.

Mrs. Robert Strang, of Winnipeg, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. G. Pennock, 2nd st.

The many friends of H. F. Holmes will be pleased to learn that he is some better today. Finding it would be impossible to save the poisoned arm, Drs. Secor & Gunne, the attending surgeons, on Wednesday decided that amputation would be necessary. Mr. Holmes stood the ordeal well, and it is hoped that his recovery will be rapid. It is unfortunate that Mr. Holmes should lose his left arm but his friends will rejoice that his life has been spared.

Thos. Larkin has moved his livery shop one door south to the shop recently occupied by Simpson & Co.

Wm. Hone of Toronto, who is now

A number of new settlers are in town on their way to take up land along Rainy river.

H. Agur of Kalmar was in town this week.

A MINER representative, recently, had occasion to make a trip from Duluth to Port Arthur, and sailed on the new Booth line steamer Argo. She is a new boat with steel hull of a design similar to the Keenora, only larger. She is of 1000 tons. Her appointments are fine, with a capacity for 102 first-class passengers. The cabins are spacious, and furnished with Brussels carpets, and leather upholstered and cozy furniture. The state rooms are roomy, with water in every room. The boat is electric lighted throughout. The ladies are first-class. The largely increased cost of the boat receives from the travelling public shows that the new boat is highly appreciated. The command is in the hands of the well known Capt. Hector, with an able and painstaking corps of assistants, which is sufficient evidence that the welfare of the patrons of the line will receive every consideration.

C.R. Langstaff and wife, of Emo, here in town.

Life on the Rail

Mr. Geo. Cummings, Barrie, Ont., one of the best known engineers on the G. T. R., writes: "For years I suffered from kidney disease brought on by railroad life. The doctors called it 'railroad kidney,' but could give me no permanent relief. A friend recommended Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, saying they had cured him. A few boxes of this grand medicine completely cured me, putting an end to the dreadful pains in the back and greatly strengthening the kidneys. I am a well man to-day, thanks to Dr. Chase. One pill a day, 25 cents a box."

The annual election of officers of Paganoga Lodge A. F. & A. M., was held at the temple on Wednesday night last, and the following gentlemen were elected for the ensuing year: Worshipful Bro. Jno. Warren, W. M.; Bro. Jno. Brechley, S. W.; Bro. G. W. Smith, J. W.; Bro. A. Carmichael, Treas.; Bro. G. M. Gould, Sec'y.; W. Bro. J. A. McCrossin and W. Bro. A. Jones, Auditors; Bro. Schlegel, Bro. G. M. Richards, Bro. C. W. Belyen, chaplain; Bro. E. Pinch, Tyler; W. Bro. J. K. Bryden, representative to Grand Lodge.

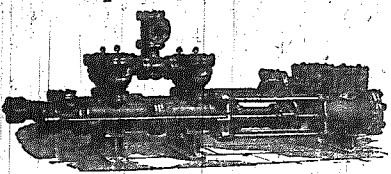
Wanted 100 bald heads, in exchange for 100 bottles of 'Haiton'. The public will be surprised at the result. If it does not make hair grow, we don't want a cent. Werner, The Chemist.

Messrs. C. W. Chadwick and K. Kyle left Monday on a trip to Port Angeles, Wash., and other points in the west. They will be away for some time.

A. Milne, accountant at the Mikado mine, was in town yesterday. Mr. Milne expects his wife and children to arrive from England in a few days. They will come out with Mr. McMillan who has been in London attending the annual meeting of the Mikado Mining Company.

The Woman's Hospital Aid society will be at a lecture at Mrs. Bryden on Thursday next, June 8th, from 7 to 7 p. m. A musical programme will be a pleasing feature of the At Home, and it is hoped there will be a large attendance. The price of tickets is placed at the low figure of 15 cents. The proceeds will go towards defraying the expense of repairing the hospital building. It is particularly requested that the

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The Atikokan, the first of the new Canadian Northern railway cars, was attached to yesterday's No. 2 going east. Also was the Rensselaire, the late Sir Jno. A. Macdonald's private car which was occupied by W. R. Baker and family of the C. P. R., who are moving to Montreal, to which point Mr. Baker has been transferred.

What We Would Like to Know.

Who ordered up this tough of fine weather?

How many good Rat Portage "Patrons" did it strike of smoking when they put up the furnace pipes?

How many merchants of this town find business slack just because they are not advertising?

When Towns is going to blame to the scratch?

The number of Winnipeg ciphers that will find our Lake the hottest place of the bunch?

Real Estate Sale.

One of the most important real estate sales that has taken place in Rat Portage for some time was concluded this morning between G. P. Phillips and Cameron & Hepburn, the enterprising wholesalers of Mr. Phillips, after considerable waiting, got the town to execute the deeds for the road right-of-way adjoining the track, and afterwards sold the lot in front of his dwelling to Cameron & Hepburn. The lot in question is corner lot having a frontage of 50 feet, on Matheson street and 88 feet to the railway track on Lake Street, recently opened out from Matheson street.

On this property, Cameron & Hepburn will erect a large modern warehouse to meet the demand of their ever-increasing business. The lot has not definitely been decided upon but is now being prepared by the architect. They will have a splendid situation for receiving goods from the railway. A platform will be constructed on the siding with a well covered road to the second story of the warehouse and a shed will also be constructed so that bulk goods can be quickly transferred to the platform from the railway cars.

VICTORIA'S FAVORITE.

Simple Anonymous Tribute Which Greatly Pleased the Late Queen.
The women of Queen Victoria is commemorated in the fact that of all the panegyrics and tributes in prose or verse ever written of her the following pleased her most.

SHE SHOULD BE ME.

I'm but an old body.
Living up to 80-odd years.
In a way second not longer.
With a royal heritage.
With my son as my ally.
I'm as happy as a boy.
But I'm far from a boy.
Since she was a girl to me.

I'm no sea far past what I'm far from a boy.
I'm no sea far past what I'm far from a boy.
I'm no sea far past what I'm far from a boy.
I'm no sea far past what I'm far from a boy.
I'm no sea far past what I'm far from a boy.
I'm no sea far past what I'm far from a boy.

But I've been a boy.
The boys were all boys.
The boys were all boys.
The boys were all boys.
The boys were all boys.
The boys were all boys.

My son sleeps in heaven.
It's no use to fret.
An old man I'm not.
I'm sure this is true.
She may feel for my son.
She's a mother's son.
An angel she's been.
Which she should be to me.

These quaint and simple four verses appeared anonymously in an obscure Scotch paper, and they came under the Queen's eye accidentally. The monarch turned to her as the mother of her people so touched her heart that she sought out the author and wrote him a tender letter of acknowledgment. Many times during her last weary years were these verses read to her.

Out of Them Didn't Get On.

When looking at the photograph attached to the letter showing the family of boys, Mr. B. B. B. and they all seem to have turned out remarkably well. This is Henry, isn't it?

Mr. B. B. B. (proudly) — Yes, that's Henry. He's in the music hall this. Gets two a week for merely singing and dancing. They call a ten-cent song. The next one is Christopher. He's a jockey. Made 100,000 one of last year. The one on the next page is Oliver. He keeps a Stock Exchange "book-keeping." Different from the one of what he made out of a last year and the year before. The next one is George. He's a Conductor of the Stables. The last one is Arthur. But you have another son.

A NEW CENTURY TASK.

The Great Railway Great Britain is Planning from Ancient Egypt to the Orient.

One of the great tasks of the new century is the railroad Great Britain is planning to build from Egypt to the Yangtze, says "The World's Work." It is proposed that the western point of departure shall be either Alexandria or Port Said, and that the route, following roughly the parallel of 30 degrees north latitude, shall cross the Isthmus of Suez and Southern Arabia, skirt the shores of the Persian Gulf and pass through Behistan to Kharache in India. The length of this section would be a truly under 2,500 miles, and, except at the head of the Persian Gulf, would present no physical obstacles that could not be easily surmounted. The rest of the system, with a link to be supplied here and there, would bridge the distance between Kharache and Mandalay, whence the Indian Government is now building a railroad to Kanton. Careful surveys have developed a practical route from Kanton to the Yangtze at Su Chow, and from that point a line would be easily extended to Shanghai.

Many solid results will attend the building of this line. Besides revolutionizing the sea route and traffic with Australia, it will provide a rapid and safe means of transit between Europe, India and China, and will enable China to speedily exchange of products throughout the vast region lying between the Mediterranean and the Pacific. Finally, and this is the argument most frequently urged in its behalf, it will form England's natural response to the Transiberian railway, and will enable commerce to her ports and prestige in the east. The construction of this line is part of the declared policy of Great Britain in China, and conservative advocates believe it will be built during the next decade.

English Birth Rate Declining.

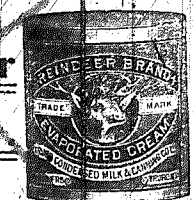
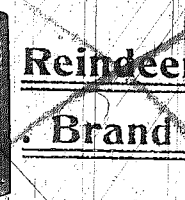
Mr. E. Holt Schoaling, after investigation, covering the whole of the last quarter of the nineteenth century, declares that there has been a steady decrease in the British birth rate. England having fallen to the lowest birth rate of any first rate power. France alone excepted. One result of this loss of "birth force," as Mr. Schoaling calls it, is that in every day of the five years 1892-1896, 1,000,000 fewer children were born than would have been born had the 1871-8 birth rate remained operative during 1891-8.

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